

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Please consider the following new drawing sheet.

REMARKS

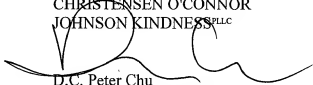
In the Office Action mailed August 7, 2008, the United States Patent and Trademark Office (hereinafter "the Office") objected to the specification because it was said that the specification has not been amended to include "essential material." The drawings were objected to because it was said that the drawings do not show every feature of the claimed subject matter. Claims 55, 59, 60, 61, 64, and 65 were objected to because it was said that "third and fifth component" were missing from the claims. Applicants appreciate indication of allowability of Claims 1-54 and 71-75. Claims 66-70 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated in view of the teachings of U.S. Patent No. 6,370,566, issued to Discolo et al.

Although applicants do not agree with the objections and rejections, applicants have amended the specification, added a new drawing, and canceled Claims 66-70 to advance the prosecution of the above identified patent application. Regarding objections to Claims 55, 59, 60, 61, 64, and 65, applicants respectfully point out that the third component is recited by Claim 55, and the fifth component is recited by Claim 59. Regarding the Examiner's reasons for allowance, applicants believe that there are other reasons for allowing the claimed subject matter in addition to the reasons indicated by the Examiner.

Claims 1, 28, 55, and 71 are allowable independent claims. Claims 2-27, 29-54, and 59-65 are allowable because they depend from allowable independent claims and because of the additional claim elements added by those claims. Consequently, reconsideration and allowance of these claims is respectfully requested.

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